

# NOTICE OF FUND AVAILABILITY (NOFA) – GRANTS

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**NAME OF GRANT PROGRAM:**

I. Autism Clinical Research Pilot and Translational Research Pilot Projects  
And  
II. Autism Health Needs Medical Homes Pilot Projects

**NOFA REFERENCE NO.**

CAUT15APL

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**PURPOSE FOR WHICH THE GRANT PROGRAM FUNDS WILL BE USED:**

To research, apply and advance best practices in the understanding, prevention, evaluation and treatment of autism spectrum disorder (ASD), enhancing the lives of individuals across their lifespans.

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**ESTIMATED AMOUNT OF MONEY IN THE GRANT PROGRAM:**

\$6,000,000.00

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**ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS MUST COMPLY WITH THE FOLLOWING REQUIREMENTS:**

1. Terms and Conditions for the Administration of Grants.
2. General and specific Grant Compliance requirements issued by the Granting Agency.
3. Applicable Federal Cost Principles relating to the Applicant.

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**GROUP OR ENTITIES WHICH MAY APPLY FOR THE GRANT PROGRAM:**

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Hospital               | <input type="checkbox"/> Local Health Department                                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> City/Municipality                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Federally Qualified Health Center                      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> County Government                 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NJ Based and Operated Research Organization |
| <input type="checkbox"/> State Agency                      | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other: Please refer to RFA for details      |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Non-Profit Corporation |   |

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**QUALIFICATIONS NEEDED BY APPLICANT TO BE CONSIDERED FOR A GRANT:**

Public and private non-profit research entities in the State of New Jersey may apply for a Governor's Council for Medical Research and Treatment of Autism grant under this program. A qualifying research entity is defined as any academic institution, research organization, public or private non-profit entity, located in the State of New Jersey, with a demonstrated capability to conduct grant funded research.

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**APPLICATION PROCEDURES:**

1. The applicant requests a copy of the RFA from the Information Contact referenced below.
2. The applicant submits a Letter of Intent, inquiry, or concept paper to the Information Contact referenced below. This may be submitted via an email.
3. The Program Management Office will make a grant application available to all "Eligible" agencies in the System for Administering Grants Electronically (SAGE) ([www.sage.nj.gov](http://www.sage.nj.gov)).
4. The agency will submit a grant application in accordance with the RFA.

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**DATE ON WHICH APPLICATION WILL BE AVAILABLE:**

December 1, 2014

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**SAGE PROGRAM NAME:**

Autism Pilot Projects 2015

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**DEADLINE BY WHICH APPLICATIONS MUST BE SUBMITTED:**

February 25, 2015

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**DATE BY WHICH APPLICANT SHALL BE NOTIFIED WHETHER THEY WILL RECEIVE FUNDS:**

June 15, 2015

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**ADDITIONAL NARRATIVE PROVIDED BY THE DIVISION:**

Please refer to <http://www.state.nj.us/health/autism/research.shtml> for the RFA.

This grant program offers funding for two initiatives. The first initiative is the Clinical and Translational Research Pilot Projects (one or two year awards). The grantees will conduct research projects with the goal to improve the physical and/or behavioral health and well-being of individuals with ASD through the application of research findings. Community engagement is encouraged and could foster collaborative research partnerships and enhance public trust in clinical and translational research. Community engagement is the bidirectional interaction between community stakeholders and research investigators to engage community in research and build trust as well as engage the community to contribute to the quality of study designs, methods and dissemination of findings.

The second initiative is a new grant program offering funding for Autism Health Needs Medical Homes Pilot Projects. The goal of the Autism Health Needs Medical Homes Pilot Projects is to improve the overall health outcomes of children with autism, including but not limited to the physical health of children. The Autism Health Needs Medical Homes Pilot Projects focus on reducing the unmet needs for specialty services for children with autism by bringing together primary care providers with sub specialists and ASD providers to treat the whole person. The Autism Health Needs Medical Homes Pilot Projects' intent is to improve the quality of and access to services for children and their families, including but not limited to: primary, sub-specialty, diagnostic, behavioral, cognitive, developmental, neurological, psychiatric and prevention/wellness care.

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